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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$400,000 for the Small Business Energy Efficiency Support Program for the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) in Fiscal Year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC), located at 31360 Solon Road STE 33 in Solon, Ohio 44139. The physical address of the project location is 31360 Solon Road STE 33 in Solon, Ohio 44139.

NOPEC offers small business support programs in Northeast Ohio to provide businesses with tools to encourage them to grow, reinvest, and become more energy efficient. These funds will go towards expanding NOPEC's Small Business Energy Efficiency Support Program to provide additional resources for outreach and engagement with small businesses. Specifically, it will provide support such as consulting guidance on reducing operational costs through energy efficiency and providing educational outreach to expand awareness. This request is a good use of taxpayer dollars as it serves to leverage existing non-federal dollars for the benefit of small businesses and our environment. With many small businesses across Ohio still reeling from the impact of COVID-19, these support programs will allow small businesses to invest in energy efficiency and their future.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tim Ryan  
Member of Congress